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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ILO, EG, IS

SUBJECT:ILO: EGYPTIAN VIEWS

1. ON DECEMBER 20, EGYPTIAN DCM SHAKER INFORMED ASSISTANT SECRETARY MAYNES THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A CABLE INDICATING EGYPTIAN DESIRE TO WORK WITH THE U.S. TO FIND A SOLUTION TO THE ILO PROBLEM. ACCORDING TO SHAKER, THE CABLE STATED THAT EGYPTIAN LEGAL EXPERTS HAD REVIEWED THE ARGUMENTS OF DEPARTMENT DEPUTY LEGAL ADVISOR SCHWEBEL (STATE 269659' REGARDING THE ISSUES SURROUNDING THE APPLICATION OF ILO CONVENTIONS TO THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND FOUND THEM VERY HELPFUL IN CLARIFYING A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS. AT THE SAME TIME, CAIRO DID NOT BELIEVE THAT IT CAN MOVE ON THIS ISSUE UNTIL IT IS MORE CERTAIN ABOUT THE REACTION OF THE OTHER

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ARABS TO SADAT'S RECENT DIPLOMATIC MOVES IN THE MIDDLE EAST. SHAKER ADDED THAT THE CURRENT EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER WAS ONE OF EGYPT'S FOREMOST EXPERTS ON THE ILO AND WOULD BE MORE RECEPTIVE TO PROCEDURES FOR RESOLVING SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT HAVE DIVIDED THE U.S. AND EGYPT ON THE ILO IN THE PAST.

2. SHAKER ALSO REPORTED THAT MINISTER OF LABOR AHMED WAS VERY IMPRESSED WITH THE TREATMENT WHICH AFL-CIO PRESIDENT MEANY HAD GIVEN HIM AT THE AFL-CIO CONVENTION, INTRODUCING

HIM PERSONALLY TO THE DELEGATES. SHAKER SAID AHMED HAD SUGGESTED TO THE AFL-CIO AREAS WHERE IT COULD PROVIDE THE EGYPTIAN LABOR MOVEMENT WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND THE TWO SIDES HAD AGREED THAT THE AFL-CIO WOULD SEND TECHNICAL DELEGATION TO CAIRO IN THE COMING MONTHS.

3. SHAKER AND MAYNES AGREED TO MEET AGAIN IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO COMPARE NOTES ON ILO DEVELOPMENTS. VANCE

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